

REMARKS

Claims 12 and 13 have been cancelled; claims 1-4, 8, 10, and 15-17 have been amended; and new claims 21-31 have been added.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claims 4 and 5. As indicated by the Examiner claim 1 is now in condition for allowance. Claims 21-25 depend from claim 1 and are allowable for at least the reasons claim 1 is allowable. Applicant requests allowance of claims 1 and 21-25 in the Examiner's next action.

Claim 2 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 1. As indicated by the Examiner claim 2 is now in condition for allowance. Claims 3-8 depend from claim 1 and are allowable for at least the reasons claim 2 is allowable. Applicant requests allowance of claims 2-8 in the Examiner's next action.

Claim 9 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claims 12 and 13. As indicated by the Examiner claim 9 is now in condition for allowance. Claims 10, 11, 14, 26, and 27 depend from claim 9 and are allowable for at least the reasons claim 9 is allowable. Applicant requests allowance of claims 9-11, 14, 26, and 27 in the Examiner's next action.

Claim 15 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 9. As amended claim 15 recites a personal digital assistant being configured to provide data to an output port indicating a predetermined event has occurred in response to occurrence of the predetermined event and to provide data to the output port indicating that an e-mail has been received in response to an e-mail being received via a wireless modem. As indicated by the Examiner, this limitation is neither taught nor suggested by the prior art. Therefore claim 15 is allowable. Claims 16 and 28-31 depend from claim 15 and are allowable for at least the reasons described above regarding claim 15. Applicant requests allowance of claims 15, 16, and 28-31 in the Examiner's next action.

Claim 17 has been amended to recite a method that includes configuring a personal digital assistant to provide data to an output port indicating a predetermined event has occurred. Claim 17 further recites using the data from the output port to actuate an electrically actuated vehicle component in different patterns corresponding to different predetermined events. The cited references neither teach nor suggest actuating an electrically actuated vehicle component in different patterns corresponding to different predetermined events. For at least this reason claim 17 is allowable.

Claims 18-20 depend from claim 17 and are allowable for at least the reasons described above regarding claim 17. Applicant requests allowance of claims 17-20 in the Examiner's next action.

Having addressed all the issues raised by the Examiner in the last action, this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance and action to that end is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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